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## CHIN 202.01: Intermediate Chinese II

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Chinese 202 - Intermediate Chinese

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General Introduction and Course Objectives:

Chinese 202 is open to students who have taken Chinese 201 or the equivalent. It is not open to students from Chinese-speaking countries. This is a five-credit course, with class meetings Monday through Thursday and four hours per week on your own, working on the current lesson and reviewing previous work.

The objective in second-year Chinese is to build upon the knowledge and skills acquired in first year, developing and extending your ability in oral/aural communication as well as in reading and writing Chinese. Before the end of your second year, you will be equipped to handle a wide variety of daily situations like renting an apartment, dating, medical appointments, and asking directions. Your vocabulary will be large and your grasp of grammar comprehensive, but you will still have some distance to go before achieving the fluency needed to, say, do business in China or even read a newspaper with ease; this is why most larger Chinese programs in America and Europe offer four years of Chinese and recommend that students spend a year or two in China or Taiwan thereafter to boost their skills even further. Countless study abroad programs, some quite inexpensive, are available in both these countries, and the application process is generally very simple. All programs accept students at every level and offer courses ranging from a month or a summer in length to entire degree programs. If you are interested, feel free to come and see me for advice and assistance with selecting a suitable program and making your application.

We would like to remind you about the minor in Chinese. This consists of 20 language credits plus 9 in Chinese literature/culture. One of the literature/culture courses should be Introduction to Chinese Civilization. Three of these 9 credits may be in a China-centered course taken in another department, such as history. To be counted toward the minor, a course must be taken with the traditional grading option.

## Evaluation and Expectations:

Your final course grade will be calculated according to the following percentages:

Tests.....	60%
Class participation and performance .....	20%
Homework.....	20%

1. Tests. These will typically be held at the end of each textbook lesson, and the score for every test except for your lowest one will be counted toward your final grade. Note that each test will cover not just the most recent lesson but previous material as well, both from earlier in the semester and from Chinese 100, so please keep up with your reviewing! The occasional test may be a take-home, but the majority will be in-class, lasting the entire 65 minutes. Short, informal five-minute quizzes, largely on new vocabulary, will be held periodically.

2. You are expected to attend all classes, and attendance will be taken daily. Anyone with more than four (6) unexcused absences will be given a failing grade (F). Classes begin promptly at ten minutes past the hour and lateness is frowned upon. If before Chinese class you have another commitment in a distant part of the campus, making punctuality a problem, please inform your instructor.

3. Course preparation: please come to class well prepared, having studied the material for that day. Written assignments and exercises must be turned in on time.

### Textbook:

Integrated Chinese Level 2.

Audio Tapes: available in the International Languages Laboratory.

## **General Schedule (Provisional)**

### **1. Week of Monday, Jan 22:**

Review of last semester's material

Begin *Integrated Chinese* Level 2, Lesson 3

### **2. Week of Monday, Jan 29:**

Lesson 3 continued

### **3.Week of Monday Feb 5:**

Mon: Test on Lesson 3

Tue: Begin Lesson 4

Wed:

Thu:

### **Final Week of May 7<sup>th</sup>**

Final Exam will be held 3:20pm - 5:20pm Wednesday, May 9<sup>th</sup>.

### **Further Important Information:**

1. This course uses pluses and minuses in its grading. The lowest credit-receiving grade is D minus, the highest possible course grade a straight A, not A+.
2. Note that you need to select the traditional grading option if you are planning to have this course count toward fulfillment of the Chinese Minor and/or General Education requirements.
3. Auditors: Anyone auditing the class must formally enroll as an auditor.
4. Anyone with a learning or medical disability and in need of special arrangements must inform us of this fact at the beginning of the course. People with such disabilities must provide documentary proof of their status.